SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			BA1/1752/2026 Banty Alias Sumit --Applicant **Versus** State Of Uttarakhand --Respondent **Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.** Mr. T.P.S. Takuli, learned counsel for the applicant. 2. Mr. S.C. Dumka, learned A.G.A. along with Mr. Nikhil Bisht, learned Brief Holder for the State. 3. Applicant- Banty alias Sumit, who is in judicial custody in connection with First Information Report/Case Crime No. 0346 of 2026 registered at P.S. Gangnahar, District Haridwar, under Sections 22, 29 & 8 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, has sought his release on bail. 4. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record. 5. Learned counsel for the applicant would submit that the applicant is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the present case; that, the applicant has been implicated solely on the basis of the confessional statement

			of the co-accused, who was apprehended at the spot and from whose possession the alleged contraband was recovered; that, no independent material has been collected by the investigating agency to establish the applicant's alleged involvement in the offence, particularly, no financial transaction or money trail connecting the applicant with the co-accused has been traced during the course of investigation; that, no contraband has been recovered from the possession or at the instance of the present applicant. 6. Learned counsel would further submit that the applicant is in judicial custody since 06.09.2026; that, he has no criminal antecedents; that, no contraband has been recovered from his possession; that, the trial is not likely to conclude in the near future; that, the applicant is a permanent resident of District Haridwar, therefore, there is no likelihood of his absconding or fleeing from justice. Thus, the applicant be enlarged on bail. 7. Per contra, learned State counsel would vehemently oppose the prayer for bail. He would submit that, on the previous occasion, the State was directed to obtain instructions regarding the existence of any money trail or financial transaction between the applicant and the co-accused.

			However, on instructions, he fairly submits that no such money trail or financial transaction connecting the applicant with the co-accused has been found till date and also admit that the applicant is in judicial custody since 06.09.2026. 8. Having considered the submissions advanced by learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the material available on record, this Court finds that the alleged contraband was recovered from the possession of the co-accused and not from the present applicant. The allegation against the applicant is primarily founded upon the statement made by the co-accused. It is further evident that no financial transaction or money trail connecting the applicant with the co-accused has been traced as yet. 9. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the bail application deserves to be allowed Accordingly, the bail application is allowed on the following conditions:- (a) The applicant shall execute a personal bond and furnish two reliable sureties in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial court. (b) The applicant shall not leave the country without prior permission of the court. (c) The applicant shall appear before

the investigating officer as and when required and cooperate with the investigation.

(d) The applicant shall not tamper with evidence or witnesses, either directly or indirectly and shall not indulge in any criminal activity while on bail.

(e) The applicant shall surrender his passport, if any, to the court or to the investigating agency, to preclude risk of absconding.

10. The bail granted to the applicant shall be liable to be cancelled in the event of any violation of the aforesaid conditions or if the applicant is found to have misused the liberty granted to him.

(Alok Mahra J.)
21.11.2026

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